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Rally at state Capitol brings awareness to teen's shooting death

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

"There is a name for when you lose your companion, you're either a widow or a widower. If you lose your mother and your father, you're an orphan, when you lose your own child … there is no word for that.. There is no pain like the pain of losing your own child."

Wilbur Goodblanket

Sounds of beating drums and songs in the Cheyenne language resonate across the lawn of the Oklahoma State Capitol.

Friends, family and supporters gather on the steps of the state capitol April 16, 2014 in Oklahoma City to bring awareness to the shooting death of 18 year old Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member, Mah-hi-vist Goodblanket.

Goodblanket was shot seven times by law enforcement in Custer County on Dec. 21, 2013, in the home of his parents, Wilbur and Melissa Goodblanket.

The family is awaiting a decision by Custer County District Attorney, Dennis Smith on whether the shooting was justified or unjustified.

The Oklahoma Medical Examiner's office recently released an autopsy report in which they listed Mah-hi-vist's death a homicide. The report showed seven bullet entry wounds, with the shot to the back of the head as being the one that caused his death.

DNA testing results are still pending from blood samples taken from Mah-hi-vist's bedroom. The Goodblankets say that one of the deputies cut his finger off while entering the home through Mah-hi-vist's bedroom window. While Custer County Sheriff Bruce Peoples, alleges the deputy shot his finger off during a struggle with Mah-hi-vist.

Once the DNA results are released, the district attorney will render a decision on the case.

"There is no word on DNA reports. I called Angela Marcee (Custer County assistant district attorney) on Monday and left a message, but I have not had a call back from her office yet. I did however receive a phone call from an Oklahoma State Representative, Seneca Scott, prior to me arriving here today and he requested our presence inside today. So as soon as we parked Wilbur and I went into the capitol and met with the representative and several other people involved with legislation here at the Oklahoma State Capitol," Melissa said. "I keep reminding myself that there is a Divine plan for everything and that keeps me going. Especially for those things we don't understand, those things that tear us apart, those things that allow fear to enter and anger to set in. I know we can go far if we stand in the knowing that the Divine plan is working and that we are all part of a Divine plan much greater that we are here."

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Mah-hi-vist Goodblanket's parents, Melissa and Wilbur Goodblanket and his brother, Akta-na-hi stand with heads lowered as prayers are said for their family.

Wilbur, father of Mah-hi-vist, stepped up to the microphone to address the attendees at the rally, struggling with the emotions welling up inside of him and coming out through the tears running down his cheeks.

"I know there have been a lot of prayers said for us, for my family. That's how I grew up, how I was

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CATV-47 becomes an affiliate of FNX television network

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Cheyenne and Arapaho Television, CATV47 becomes the first tribal station to successfully carry the First Nations Experience (FNX) channel's signal.

"FNX has been working for a long time to get CATV47 on board and we're glad that it's finally happened. We're thrilled that CATV47 is the first Tribal station to carry FNX and welcome you into our family of FNX affiliates," KVCR/FNX General Manager, Alfredo Cruz said. "FNX is proud to bring you quality programming that we hope will enrich your lives. Please let us know what you think. We look forward to serving you for a long time and ask that you tell us how we can serve you better. Thanks for bringing FNX to CATV47."

CATV47 is the first and only tribally owned and operated TV station in Oklahoma and one of only a handful in the country. It is breaking new ground by partnering with FNX, a new Native television network offering 24 an hour programming throughout the U.S.

CATV47's Production and Operations Manager, Randy Burleson, said the partnership will be a tremendous benefit to the CATV station.

"The addition of these programs will greatly enhance our broadcast offerings and positively impact our Cheyenne and Arapaho audience. The staff at CATV is very excited to be able to bring these great FNX programs to the region, programs like *Bizou*, a children's show and family shows like *Wapos Bay* and *Fish out of Water*," Burleson said. "We will be presenting locally produced CATV47 programming from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and again from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. We will be adding more local time slots as we develop new programs, so be sure to watch during those time to catch our Cheyenne and Arapaho shows."

Bizou is a lively animated, pre-school series that explores the wonderful world of animals as seen through the eyes of a cheerful little five year old Native princess named Bizou. Through traditional storytelling, sing-alongs, book readings, live-action animal footage, colorful illustrations and animation, children learn to appreciate the connection they have to each other and the wonderful world of animals that surround them.

The family oriented television series, *Wapos Bay* is about the Cree kids of Wapos Bay in northern Saskatchewan and their love of adventure. Their playground is a vast area that belonged to their Cree ancestors. Hunting and gathering, dog sledding and shimmering northern lights are part of everyday life, but so are video games, TV and cell phones. Guided by elders, extended family and their own insatiable curiosity, three children learn how to balance modern life and ancient traditions. The three children acquire some valuable lessons about respect, cooperation, honesty and tolerance … and, of course, they also teach the adults a few things.

Viewers can check out the FNX programming schedule at www.catv47.com/fnx-tv-schedule.html. Remember to click on the "time zone" button and change it to central daylight time (CDT), then click on the "change" button to update the times to the correct central time.

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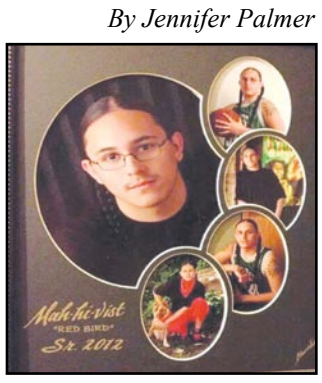
Custer County prosecutor rules teen shooting justified

By Jennifer Palmer



CLINTON, OK-The two deputies responsible for the death of Mah-hi-vist Goodblanket, 18, won't face charges, but the family is pursuing a wrongful death lawsuit.

The Custer County prosecutor, Dennis Smith, ruled on Tuesday, April 22 that the two Custer County deputies were justified in shooting Goodblanket.

Goodblanket was shot seven times in the family home, an autopsy revealed. He was experiencing a mental episode and had been breaking things when his parents called 911 for help. The deputies claimed they tried first to subdue him with a stun gun, but it was ineffective.

Custer County Sheriff Bruce Peoples claims one of his deputies, Chance Avery, shot his finger off during a struggle with Goodblanket and later had to have the finger amputated. Both deputies involved in the shooting returned back to work last month, prior to the prosecutor's decision.

Goodbanket's parents, Melissa and Wilbur Good-

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Preparing for the 7th Generation the journey continues

By Rebecka Lyman, Reporter/Ad Sales

Native Americans living in Oklahoma suffer greater health risks than most other people living in the state.

A number of Oklahoma tribes and the Oklahoma State Department of Health came together for three days, April, 14-16, 2014 for the seventh annual 7th Generation Conference, *The Journey Continues* at the Reed Conference Center in Midwest City, Okla., to share resources on how to reduce the leading causes of death and disease among American Indians living in Oklahoma.

"The primary focus of the conference is to assist Oklahoma communities to gain knowledge, sharpen their skills and to enhance local advocacy efforts for Native American families," Rear Admiral, Kevin D. Meeks, Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service, director said.

Oklahoma is home to more than 39 tribes and tribal organizations and the Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service serves the states of Oklahoma, Kansas and portions of Texas.

"The Oklahoma City area serves a large number of tribes, due to that large number, tribes have opted to operate their own programs including large scale hospitals to the smaller preventive-care programs and behavioral health programs. The area consists of eight service units with federally operated hospitals, clinics and smaller health stations." Meeks said.

In 2006 the Oklahoma tribes and the Oklahoma State Department of Health formed a partnership to offer the conference to tribal public health care workers and providers.

"Every deliberation of the partnership between state and tribes considers the impact of the decisions made on the next seven generations so they no longer have to suffer the consequences of commercial tobacco abuse experienced today," Meeks said. "Native Americans are at greater risks of suffering from commercial tobacco use which leads to heart disease and cancer. The leading cause of death among our Indian people is heart disease and cancer as well as unintentional-injuries, diabetes and chronic respiratory disease. The prevalence of commercial tobacco use is higher compared to any other population group in Oklahoma."

Dr. Charles W. Grimm, Deputy Executive Director for Cherokee Nation Health Services spoke on the protections and benefits of the new Health Care Act for Native Americans and Alaska Natives.

"Our Native people are being affected with health insurance coverage across the nation," Grimm said. "There are benefits to being a member of a federally recognized tribe and Alaskan Native, you are able to enroll in the Marketplace coverage any time of the year. There is no limited enrollment period and they can change plans as often as once a month."

Grimm explained that Native Americans and Alaskan Natives don't have to pay out-of-pocket costs like deductibles, co-payments and coinsurance if the income level for a family of four is up to $70,640, and for Alaskan Natives the amount is $88,320.

Photo by Rebecka Lyman

Hundreds of public health care workers who attended the 7th Generation Conference, The Journey Continues listened as Rear Admiral, Kevin D. Meeks, Director of Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service, spoke on how communities can help solve health problems among Alaska Natives and Native Americans at the Reed Center in Oklahoma City.

"Tribal members can get or keep getting services from the Indian Health Service, tribal health programs, or urban Indian health programs and get services from any providers on the Marketplace plan," Grimm said.

The three-day conference offered a series of free health workshops focusing on involving the communities to help solve the problems of health disparities, access to health care, and community coalition building.

Gearing up for the 2014 Native All-Star Football game

NATIVE REVISION

DALLAS, TEXAS-Native Re-vision is now offering an unique clothing line of hoodies, t-shirts and baseball caps, with all proceeds benefiting the annual Native All-Star Football event held during the week of Fourth of July. The all-star football game will take place on Saturday, July 5, 2014 at the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA), Maverick Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Heiress Jade Hicks holds up the Native Re-Vision t-shirt that comes in black and white. Also available are hoodies and baseball caps. All proceeds go towards the Native All Star Classic Football event held the week of Fourth of July.

The Native All-Star Football game has been under the care and direction of Native Re-vision, a non-profit organization based out of Dallas, Texas. They are in the fourth year of operation for the game. One of their goals has been to bring the game forward into the mainstream media, and let all tribal members see the incredible display of Native American athleticism that is now being branded the Native All-Star Football Classic (NASEC). Founder and chairman of Native Re-Vision is Cheyenne tribal member, Steve Cardwell.

"Because we work hard and remain focused the event is gaining traction into mainstream media each year. Articles have been printed in national and local publications including Indian Country Today, Cheyenne Arapaho News and Navajo Times. We are experiencing more and more spectators It is an honor and privilege to be the producer of the NASFC. Another of our goals is motivating the players to be warriors in the classroom as well as on the field of play. We are trying to get the kids to look into the future and dare to dream about themselves, and their future families that they will certainly have to provide for later in life. We encourage them to have a positive vision of their life in the future. We want to help them understand that there will be so much life ahead of them after their playing days are over. And, just as importantly, that they leave a good example for the many kids that are coming behind them. They must leave a positive footprint for them to follow," Cardwell wrote on Native Re-Vision Website. "The Alex Battiest Award is an annual award to inspire new players and honor the memory of a fallen NASFC warrior. It was created in 2012. Alex was a player at our Jim Thorpe NAS game in Denton, Texas in 2011. He was diagnosed with germ cell cancer a few weeks after the game and passed away January 2012. He was such an inspiring Native youth. Not only was he athletically gifted, he was one of the outstanding college bound young men that we so desperately need in all our tribes. It was a great honor for me personally to get to know this exceptional young man. He was a great example that we as parents and mentors try so hard to inspire the next generation of Native youth to become."

Cardwell said it takes support from people and the willingness of volunteers donating their time to make it all happen.

"We have been fortunate to have a small group of supporters to keep the game going. However, we are always looking for sponsor and donations to help support this wonderful event," Cardwell wrote.

In closing Cardwell stated he looked forward to seeing everyone at the annual event this year.

For more information, an application for the Native Re-Vision football game or to make a donation, visit www.nativerevision.org or email info@nativerevision.org.

Courtesy photo

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Gov. Eddie Hamilton attends the U.S. Dept. of Education tribal consultation meeting held April 15, 2014 in Norman, Okla.

U.S. Dept. of Education hosts tribal consultation meeting, working to improve Indian education

NORMAN-OK, On April 15, 2014, representatives from the White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaskan Native Education (WHIAIANE) and tribal officials from several Oklahoma tribes met at the NCED Conference Center in Norman, Okla. The meeting was held to open dialogue between tribal leaders and Education Department officials on how to better serve Native Americans and furthering President Obama's Executive Order 13592 on improving American Indian and Alaskan Native educational opportunities and strengthening tribal colleges and universities.

"We need to know exactly what the issues are affecting you all and how we can be more accountable to you all," William Mendoza, representative of the WHIAIANE said. "The tribes want to have a more active role in the education of their citizens and so they see the federal government playing an essential role in that."

According to the U.S. Dept. of Education's Website, the mission of the Office of Indian Education is to support the efforts of local educational agencies, Indian tribes and organizations, postsecondary institutions and other entities to meet the unique educational culturally related academic needs of American Indians and Alaska Natives so that these students can achieve to the same challenging state standards as all students.

Part of the White House Initiative is the *No Child Left Behind Act*, which amended the Indian education programs as Title VII, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. This act of education reform includes four key principles, stronger accountability for results, greater flexibility in the use of federal funds, more choices for parents of children from disadvantaged backgrounds and an emphasis on research-based instruction that works.

"We are pleased to be working with the state's education department, some local superintendents and the Chickasaw Nation as a participant in the groundbreaking program called S.T.E.P., State Tribal Education Partnership program," Cheyenne and Arapaho Governor, Eddie Hamilton, told the group of panelists.

The goal of this project is to establish a Tribal Education Agency (TEA) consortium between the Chickasaw Nation Division of Education and the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Department of Education to transfer some ESEA state administered functions for formula grant programs in an effort to increase TEAs role in the education of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) children and improve academic achievement of AI/AN students through a partnership with the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

"We are one of four S.T.E.P. grants that our state's Department of Education is partnering with and it's very unique that one comes from the woodland people, the Chickasaw Nation and one comes from the plains people, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes. Two completely different tribes, two completely different Nations, but they are striving the same to educate their children," Dwight Pickering said.

Tribes to celebrate graduates at annual banquet

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

On Wednesday, May 7, 2014 the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' will honor their high school and college graduates at the Pioneer Cellular Events Center on the Southwestern Oklahoma State University's (SWOSU) campus in Weatherford, Okla.

Graduates who submitted the required documentation received invitations, along with two tickets for guests, to attend the graduation banquet.

The keynote speaker for this year's event will be Heather Shotton, Ph.D. She is an assistant professor in Native American Studies at the University of Oklahoma (OU) in Norman, Okla.

Shotton, Wichita, Kiowa, Cheyenne is the past president of the National Indian Education Association. She has advocated for Native students and is one of the leading experts on improving American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) education. Prior to her current position at OU, Shotton served as the Assistant Director of Multicultural Student Affairs at the Oklahoma City University (OCU) in Oklahoma City.

The honored educator this year will be Funston Whiteman, Cheyenne tribal member, who is currently the assistant principal at Shawnee High School in Shawnee, Okla.

Whiteman graduated from Seiling High School in 1996. He served in the U.S. Marines from 1996-2000. He was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps. Achievement Medal.

Honored Educator for this year's graduation banquet will be Funston Whiteman.

Whiteman, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member, is the assistant principal at Shawnee High School in Shawnee, Okla. He is a Doctorate candidate at the Unversity of Oklahoma.

Heather Shotton, Ph.D. will be the keynote speaker at the annual graduation banquet held in Weatherford, Okla.

Shotton is an assistant professor in Native American Studies at the University of Oklahoma.

Whiteman went on to earn his Associate's Degree in Secondary Education from Rose State College in 2002 and his Bachelor of Arts, Teaching History from the University of Utah in 2005, Master's Degree, Educational Administration in Curriculum and Supervision in 2008 and is a Doctoral candidate at the University of Oklahoma (OU).

He authored his dissertation entitled, *An Examination of the Relationship Between Supplemental Funding for Indian Students and Academic Achievement in a High Indian Enrollment Public School District*.

Whiteman was the founder and creator of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Book Project in 2008. The supplementary four book series is a written narration for tribal students to learn more about their Cheyenne and Arapaho history and culture.

Prior to his position as assistant principal at Shawnee High School, Whiteman was a teacher at Crooked Oak Middle School in Oklahoma City and assistant principal at John Marshall High School in Edmond, Okla.

Whiteman's love of education is second to his love of God and his family. He was quoted as saying, "I would encourage people to keep the smallest institution in place … the family. The family is the most influential and effective school for our Indian people."

Whiteman is married to Alicia Kinney Whiteman and has three children, Ethan, Ella and Esme.

Whiteman was featured as the Father's Day highlight in the June 15, 2009 edition of the *Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Tribune* due to his high family and fatherhood values.

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes assistant executive director makes it work

OKLAHOMA CITY-Teresa Dorsett, assistant executive director for administration of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, recently received the Outstanding Community/Agency Partner Award from the Oklahoma Career and Technical Educators Equity Council.

Dorsett was one of 25 people honored at the 20th annual Making It Work Day, April 24 at the state Capitol.

Making It Work Day recognizes individuals who are committed to removing barriers to success for single-parent families by providing educational experiences for students beyond the classroom. The ceremony also recognized nontraditional students and members who received national honors for their efforts.

Dorsett collaborates regularly with the GOALS Program at Redlands Community College and provides books and tuition assistance for students and hosted a workshop at the National CTEEC Conference last fall, said Julie Lamb, director of the GOALS Program, who nominated Dorsett for the award.

"She is passionate about assisting disadvantaged populations in obtaining what they need to become successful," Lamb said. "She enjoys working with our students. She helps them with goal-setting and provides internship opportunities."

OkCTEEC is affiliated with the administrative division of the Oklahoma Association of Career and Technology Education. The council advocates for students pursuing nontraditional careers and for resources for educating single parents.

Submitted photo

Teresa Dorsett, assistant executive director for administration of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, recently received the Outstanding Community/Agency Partner Award from the Oklahoma Career and Technical Educators Equity Council. Pictured L-R: Jim Struby, Oklahoma Department of Human Services director of adult and family services; Sen. Ron Justice, R-Chickasha; Dorsett; Kathy Quinn-Teague, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education director of special programs; Janie Clay, OkCTEEC president and coordinator of the Allied Jobs Program at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College and Joe Robinson, Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education associate state director for career preparation.

"The mission of OkCTEEC is to serve as a unifying council for all personnel serving displaced homemakers, single parents, teen parents, single pregnant teens and women, nontraditional students and at-risk females," said Lou Ann Hargrave, Work Prep and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families coordinator at the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education. She serves as an adviser for OkCTEEC, along with Sandy Elledge of the Department of Human Services and Kathy Quinn-Teague of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

"State and federal programs often cannot remove all the obstacles facing those living in poverty," said Janie Clay, OkCTEEC president and coordinator of the Allied Jobs Program at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College. "Therefore, a strong community partnership is imperative among agencies, businesses and industries as the participants transition from education and training to employment and self-sufficiency. We rely heavily on our partners to provide learning opportunities outside the classroom."

For more information about OkCTEEC, visit www.cteec.org. For more information about the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, visit www.okcareertech.org.

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Cobell payments still on hold, Native Americans ask, where's the money

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Ever hear the phrase, "the check is in the mail?"

That's what Native Americans have been hearing from the Cobell settlement representatives, Garden City Group, for three years.

Eloise Cobell initially brought a class action lawsuit against two departments of the United States Government claiming the government had incorrectly accounted for the income from Indian trust assets held by the Department of Interior in trust accounts for Native American beneficiaries.

In August 2011, Senior D.C. District Court Judge Thomas Hogan approved a $3.4 billion settlement in the case.

Checks in the amount of $1,000 were mailed out to plaintiffs across the country with the promise of another payment in the thousands of dollars to be disbursed shortly after. But Native Americans all across Indian Country are still waiting.

A group of Native Americans in southwestern Oklahoma, who are tired of the empty promises, are taking matters into their own hands, collecting signatures on a petition that will be presented directly to President Barak Obama in Washington, D.C.

"We first held a rally in December 2013, when once again we were promised payment and it didn't happen. We are going to collect as many signatures as we can so we can notify President Obama we are still waiting on our Cobell settlement. This has been going on for well over three years and there has been many lies, as far as sitting attorneys and counsel setting dates for disbursement of funds that are rightfully ours," Katherine Ware-Perosi, Kiowa and Indian landowner said. "American Indians are humiliated, again, and really upset and tired of waiting. We have received a one time $1,000 payment years ago from the Historical Reporting Class and since then nothing but lies. We were told we were going to receive a second payment within six months of that first payment and here we are years later still waiting … still waiting on the main payment from the trust that a lot of Indians here in southwest Oklahoma are going to get a pretty good amount based on royalties we had back in the 1980s."

Katherine and her husband, Raymond Perosi, said they would continue to fight and call the Cobell settlement group every month until they do what is right.

"I have spoken with the paralegal that actually does the phone calls and takes the landowners' questions, Joe Burns, at least once a month and ask him where we are at on the progress of disbursing the second payment. He told me three weeks ago that the Special Master has 2,000 cases he is still looking at and that until he completes those cases, no one would be able to receive payments until he completes his review of these cases from September 2013," Katherine said. "He told me they had hoped to get the payments out by December 2013, which that timeline was not met and then told me they would be disbursed in the first quarter of 2014, and here it is April and still no payment. Indians are constantly being placed on the back burner."

Katherine said the class administrator has released a statement stating that they are encountering problems with whereabouts unknown of individuals who are a part of the Cobell settlement. The administrator said they cannot locate individuals and that a lot of people that are deceased.

"In my opinion they were closing out these probates of Indians due this settlement, so a lot of Native American people have passed away since the trust settlement has been settled. As a matter of fact, people are passing away everyday, so my question is when does this end? When do they stop closing those probates out of the ones that are entitled to the trust settlement, which is the second payment? The frustration and what we don't understand is why they are holding payments for those they do have IIM Accounts and valid addresses for," Katherine said. "I think they don't know what type of work they have got themselves into, they do not know Indian law."

She said she offered to travel to Washington to help close out the probates and explain some things to them.

"I have offered to help any way I can since I was a title examiner for the Southern Plains Region at one time and also a conveyance supervisor, legal instrument supervisor and also a reality specialist, so I do know some things about what is involved in this process. The bottom line is every trust settlement beneficiary from the Cobell settlement, all the monies should have been placed in their accounts and they would not have this mess that we are dealing with today. This is just an ongoing process in Indian Country that will never stop," Katherine said.

For Katherine's husband, Raymond, it is simple, but feels lawyers and others have made it a complicated mess.

"I describe it like an analogy of what the government did. Here we have a bad child, let's call that bad child the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). They didn't do their job correctly, so they got scolded by the government and the government told them you owe all these Indian people all this money from all of these years and you need to pay them. Then, what they did was they brought in a group of people and created another, if you will, sub-government and they call themselves the Garden City Group (GCG). With their lawyers, the GCG set about remaking all the records the BIA already had because they said, 'well we have to remake these records because there was this lawsuit.' Well yes, that's true, there was this lawsuit, but do you bring in another child to do what's already been done by the first child? No, you can simply pay out these payments to the IIM Accounts that people already have," Raymond said as he scratched his head at the lunacy of the situation. "You don't have to go out searching and looking from them because you already have all that information. You have their names, you have their accounts, so pay the ones you do have … it's very, very simple."

He said they don't need to remake another BIA and name it the Garden City Group. In his opinion the BIA created the problem and the BIA needs to correct the problem.

For many of the elders, who are waiting on their payments time is running out.

Marcia Deavilla, 79 year old, full blood Kiowa said she has lost both her brother and her sister during their wait to see their payments.

"I have an inheritance from my grandmother and my grandpa's land and it saddens me that this settlement they have promised us will never, never make up for what our ancestors went through. There is nothing in this world, as far as I am concerned, that will ever repay the lives of my ancestors, but what I had in mind for my settlement, when and if it comes through, is to benefit my children," Deavilla said. "I am a three time cancer survivor and I don't have long on this earth, so my first project is to get my burial all paid for, then I will be ready to go home, but I don't want to leave my children in debt. I don't want them to worry about how they are going to pay for my burial or anything else."

She said when the Cobell settlement first began a representative came to visit her, her brother and sister from Washington D.C., twice. He told them because they had all their paperwork in order, they would be part of the plaintiffs put on the lawsuit, but it never happened.

"I lost my brother and my sister through this whole ordeal, waiting, listening to their lies. You know this land is ours and there's nothing we can do to ever get it back and they cannot repay us ever. We should not have been so kind hearted to have let those people off that boat, we should not have, but we are good American Indians, full of love. I don't care how may hard times come around us, we still share with one another," Deavilla cried. "I would like these payments distributed right away. A lot of us already know what we were supposed to get, mine has already dropped $6,000 and they have given me no reason why. These are the things no one else knows about, but us and we are getting tired of protesting and rallying. We should not have to fight for this money, for what is rightfully ours. People are laughing at us, calling us beggars … we are not beggars, it's what is owed to us as Indian people."

To find out more about the petition or to sign the petition call Katherine Ware-Perosi at (405) 638-0088 or Raymond Perosi at (405) 648-2213.

To call the Cobell settlement line call toll free at (866) 383-6554.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Duane Polk, Creek, from Eastern Oklahoma holds up a sign along side the road outside of the Bureau of Indian Affairs offices in Anadarko, Okla.

Donnia Emoolah, Kiowa, signs the petition that will eventually head to Washington D.C. to the desk of President Barak Obama. Native Americans in southwestern Oklahoma hope to bring attention to the fact that there has not been any other payments paid out to Indians in the Cobell case since the initial $1,000 payment almost four years ago.

Letter From Cobell Class Counsel

Submitted by Attorney David Smith

Concerns have recently been expressed that the second payments under the *Cobell* settlement, the Trust Administration payments – have not yet been distributed. Please be assured that the Court, the Claims Administrator and Class Counsel are taking all measures necessary to make sure those payments are distributed as quickly as possible consistent with the terms of the settlement.

In particular, frustration has been expressed with the Claims Administrator, the Garden City Group ("GCG"), suggesting it is responsible for the payments not having been mailed. GCG, just like the parties, is required to follow the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by Congress and the Court, including the timeline set forth in that agreement for mailing of Trust Administration Class payments. At this point, not all requirements imposed by that agreement for mailing of the Trust Administration payments have been satisfied.

Unfortunately, implementation of the settlement was delayed for a year while Congress considered it and almost another year and a half while four individuals appealed the District Court's order approving it. These were matters over which we had no control. However, once the appeals expired in late November 2012, we worked with the District Court and GCG to make sure that distribution of the Historical Accounting payments, commenced within 30 days. In fact, GCG was able to commence distribution in three weeks after receipt of the final data for distribution.

Unlike the Historical Accounting Class payments, under the terms of the Settlement Agreement as approved by Congress and the Courts, the Trust Administration payments could not be distributed immediately after the expiration of the appeals. Instead, these payments can be made only after all Trust Administration Class members have been identified. This was due to the fact that, in many cases, the Department of Interior had no record of trust beneficiaries on its electronic systems, requiring they self-identify.

Therefore, in order to make sure that everyone who was eligible had an opportunity to participate in the settlement, the Settlement Agreement provided additional procedures for identifying Trust Administration Class Members. These procedures included a Supplementary Notice to Trust Administration Class members that commenced shortly after the appeals expired, along with a claim filing and review process. All claims were to be submitted by March 1, 2013.

During the claims process, there were concerns expressed by class members in Oklahoma who were experiencing difficulties obtaining records to support their claims due to the absence of those records on Interior's systems and the devastating tornados that affected much of the state. Therefore, the claims process was extended by the Court to make sure that these individuals had an opportunity to participate. As ordered by the Court, claimants had until September 4, 2013 to request an appeal of a claim denial to the Special Master appointed by the Court.

The claims process was successful as over 485,000 claims were filed. All of those claims were reviewed and timely determinations made by GCG. Over 2,400 appeals from those decisions, many several hundred pages in length, are being carefully considered by the Special Master. As provided for in the Settlement Agreement, once all Trust Administration Class members are substantially identified and the Department of Interior has calculated the pro rata share of the settlement to which each Trust Administration Class member is entitled, we will promptly request that the Court approve the Trust Administration payments. We can't predict with certainty when these matters will be completed enabling us to request payment from the Court. However, we will provide continual updates as new information becomes available to keep you advised of the status of those payments.

Meanwhile, we continue to work with the Court and GCG to ensure the settlement is administered in accordance with the highest standards. When the *Cobell* case settled, we inherited the Department of Interior's records of individual Indian beneficiaries – including the many inaccuracies known to exist within those

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raised, in prayer, believing in the Almighty. I remember grandpa Albert Hoffman used to say hold on to that staff no matter what happens, don't let go of it and it will see you through anything. It's really hard to hold on to that staff, but I have been hanging on to it because I know that it is prayers that has kept both of us going," Wilbur said in his soft spoken voice. "Prayers give us strength to get up everyday and go on and I try to deal with all the things that we are going through right now waiting … just waiting on a decision. To us, we want the truth, because the truth is Mah-hi-vist was killed and they were unjustified in killing him. They did not give him a chance in our home and they took our son's life. We want the truth to be known and that these officers involved be accountable.

He talked about the epidemic sweeping the country of police shootings from citizens calling for help for their loved ones. He said you never knew what would happen when you reach out for help.

"I appreciate each and everyone of you guys for coming out here today and supporting us. We wanted to be out here today to let people know what has been done to us and not just to us but it's happening all over this country. It's getting where people can't call for help not knowing what's going to take place. We didn't know … we had no idea that we would lose our son by calling for help. It's really hard to try and stand here and talk … it's the prayers, our faith and the Almighty that keeps us going. We will continue to do whatever it is we need to do to have the truth known," he said. "I remember when I went into the Society tipi what I was told about someone hurting my family or taking their lives. They said I would have to load my pipe and pray for those people that did that. That night, the night Mah-hi-vist was shot to death, that went through my mind and a few days later I brought myself to do that. To sit down and load my pipe and pray for those officers that took my son's life. We will continue to fight to see justice done on my son's behalf and all the other people who have gone through what we have gone through. We do not want anyone to ever have to feel and experience what we are going through."

Mah-hi-vistGoodblanket's grandmother, Shrana George holds up a sign asking for justice for her grandson.

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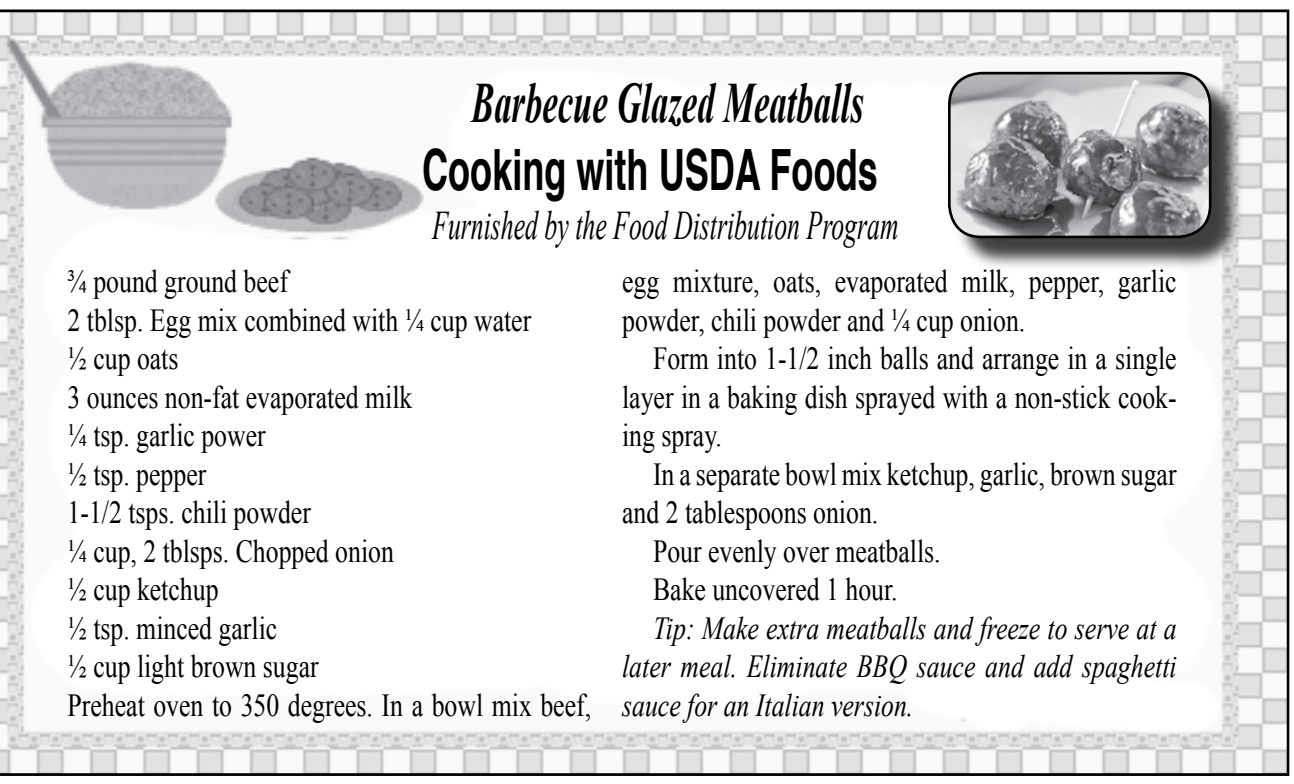
blanket, said they are disheartened by the decision and plan to file a wrongful death lawsuit.

"They may have made their decision. That doesn't mean we're in agreement. It doesn't mean we are going to accept their decision and go away," Melissa said.

Four months have passed since their son was killed. Last week they organized a rally at the state Capitol to bring attention to their situation. People from within and outside the state, especially in the American Indian communities, are following her family's story, she said.

Part of the incident Peoples describes is in dispute. Peoples said the deputies encountered Goodblanket immediately upon going into the home through a window. But Melissa and Wilbur, who were watching from a vehicle parked outside the home, said the deputies went in through a bedroom window and came out moments later. One deputy, who was bleeding, got into an ambulance (Avery) and left, while the other (Dillon Mach) went back inside with a third unidentified deputy and two Oklahoma Highway Patrol troopers, who were assisting the call, Melissa said.

Minutes later Mah-hi-vist was shot seven times, with one shot being to the back of the head.



Barbecue Glazed Meatballs

Cooking with USDA Foods

Furnished by the Food Distribution Program

¾ pound ground beef
2 tblsp. Egg mix combined with ¼ cup water
½ cup oats
3 ounces non-fat evaporated milk
¼ tsp. garlic power
½ tsp. pepper
1-1/2 tsps. chili powder
¼ cup, 2 tblsps. Chopped onion
½ cup ketchup
½ tsp. minced garlic
½ cup light brown sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a bowl mix beef, egg mixture, oats, evaporated milk, pepper, garlic powder, chili powder and ¼ cup onion.

Form into 1-1/2 inch balls and arrange in a single layer in a baking dish sprayed with a non-stick cooking spray.

In a separate bowl mix ketchup, garlic, brown sugar and 2 tablespoons onion.

Pour evenly over meatballs.

Bake uncovered 1 hour.

Tip: Make extra meatballs and freeze to serve at a later meal. Eliminate BBQ sauce and add spaghetti sauce for an Italian version.

Powwows & Events CALENDAR

Benefit Dance for 2014 Northern Arapaho Sun Dance Sponsor, Mick Spoonhunter

May 3, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m. with dance to follow. Raffles include 32" TV, DVD player, George Foreman grill, blender, star quilt, coffee maker and many more. Sponsored by Dale and Bobbie Hamilton, (405) 698-7599.

Graduation Dance for Gary Lime Jr., and Sheldon Reynolds Jr.

May 3, 2014 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dance begins at 3 p.m. folllowed by supper at 5 p.m. Proud parents are Gary and Angie Lime, and Sheldon and Jackie Reynolds. Honorees are the great-grandsons of the late Cheyenne Chief Frank Charles Reynolds and wife, Susie StandingBird-Reynolds, the late John and Happy Calf-Old-Crow. They are the grandsons of the late Roger and Janice Prairie Chief–Reynolds.

Paternal grandparents of Gary Jr. are Laverne Lime and the late Robert (Arlie) Lime, and the great-grandson of the late Harry and Mary Whitehorse. Maternal Grandparents for Sheldon Jr. are the late Efford and Gail Tsosie. Special invitation to all Society Clan Members and Sundancers. For more information call (580) 715-0759.

Ada Mae "Cutnose" Whitebird Celebration Dance

May 3, 2014 at the Junior Starr Memorial Dance Grounds and Whirlwind Mission of the Holy Family, one mile east on Hwy. 33 from intersection of Hwy. 33 and Hwy. 281 in Watonga, Okla. Worship service at 2 p.m., Gourd dance at 3 p.m., supper at 4 p.m. and celebration dance at 5:30 p.m. Bring own chairs. For more information contact Malcolm Whitebird at (580) 623-2216 or Jim Kee-Rees at (405) 974-0024.

Sweet 16 Birthday Honor Dance for Darlene Goodblanket

May 4, 2014 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dancing will begin at 2 p.m., supper at 5 p.m. with dance to follow.

Darlene is the daughter of Danielle and Billy Cling. The granddaughter of the late Toby and Dorothy Goodblanket. Darlene is the current 2014 Redmoon Powwow Senior Princess. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mother's Day Honor Dance for Margie Pewo

May 10, 2014 at the Hammon Community Center in Hammon, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m. with dance to follow. Pretty Shawl contest. Sponsored by the children and grandchildren of Margie Pewo. For more information call Tyrone Pewo at (580) 547-9721 or Edwina Pewo at (580) 309-1047.

The 46th annual Comanche Little Ponies Powwow and Celebration

May 10, 2014 at the Comanche County Fairgrounds Expo Center, 920 S. Sheridan Road in Lawton, Okla. Cedar Ceremony at 11 a.m., Gourd dance at 12 noon, supper at 5 p.m. All singers and drum groups are cordially invited to attend and special invitation to all mothers to celebrate Mother's Day. For more information contact Lowell Nibbs at (580) 583-5279 or Benny Cable at (580) 695-9947.

Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow Princess Coronation Dance

May 17, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. For more information contact Christine Morton at (405) 422-7919.

Graduation Dance for Kyle Allen Birdshead

May 24, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Gourd dance begins at 3 p.m. Supper at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information contact Christina Birdshead at (580) 786-7406.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Labor Day Powwow Princess Coronation Dance

May 31, 2014 at the Concho community center in Concho, Okla. Princesses will be crowned for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Labor Day Powwow, come and enjoy an evening of dancing and socializing with the sponsors. For more information contact Melvin Miles (405) 200-5052.

Graduation Honor Dance for Dr. Tony Battese

May 31, 2014 at the Comanche Community Center in Apache, Okla. Gourd dance at 2 p.m., supper at 5 p.m., followed by War dance at 7 p.m. Everyone invited to attend.

BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

Robert's Rules of Order

May 7-9, 2014 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

National Indian Gaming Tradeshow and Convention

May 11-14, 2014 at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, Calif. For more information visit www.indiangaming.org.

Tribal Grants Management Program

May 12-16, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Audit Preparation for Tribes and Tribal Organizations

May 13-14, 2014 at the National Indian Program Training Center in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Strategies for Working with Youth in Indian Country

May 19-21, 2014 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Elder Care for Native American and Alaska Native Communities and Organizations

May 22-23, 2014 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Annual Medicine Ways Conference

May 23-24, 2014 at the University of California in Riverside, Calif. For more information visit www.nasp.ucr.edu.

Midwest Gaming Summit

June 2-3, 2014 at the Westin Rosemont in O'Hare, Ill. For more information visit www.MidwestGamingSummit.com.

Indian Self-Determination Act: Contracting and Compacting Under P.L. 93-638

June 3-4, 2014 at the National Indian Program Training Center in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

National American Indian Housing Council 2014 Conference

June 3-5, 2014 in Kansas City, MO. For more information visit www.ncai.org.

Supervision and Management Skills: Leadership in the Tribal Workplace

June 11-12, 2014 at the Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City, OR. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Native American Economic Development and Energy Projects Conference

June 16-17, 2014 at the Disney Grand Californian Hotel and Spa in Anaheim, Calif. For more information visit www.nativenationevents.org.

Head Staff

MCs Burl Buffalomeat and Alan Fletcher

Head Singers Emmett Redbird Jr. and Evan Ortiz

Head Man Dancer JR Lonelodge

Head Lady Dancer Kara "Bitsy Boo" Codynah

Head Little Boy Dancer Larynz Spottedwolf

Head little Girl Dancer Phallyn McHenry

Honored Elder Belva Hicks

Honored Veteran Melvin Miles

Red Moon Sr. Princess Darlene Goodblanket

Red Moon Jr. Princess Neosha Bullcoming

Red Moon Tiny Tot Princess Audrina Trout

Must Be in Regalia when Registering.

Flags

Saturday, May 24
Jerome Howlingwater

Sunday, May 25
Sam Hart

Monday, May 26
Clara Flying Coyote

Color Guard

Ute Mountain Casino Color Guard

Special Contest

Sponsored by, Nadine Orange grandkids.

Prizes

Women's all around (one set each night) $500, $300, $200.

Saturday

Team dancing (free for all) winner takes all.

Sunday

Men's Grass dance $500, winner takes all.

Must make all three (3) Grand Entries, No Exceptions.

Drum

1st, 2nd, 3rd Place

Must be set up all 3 nights, No Exceptions.

Booths

Food: $50 Crafts: $75

Dances

Saturday

Tiny Tots

Sunday

Jr. Boys

Fancy 1st 2nd 3rd
Grass 1st 2nd 3rd
Traditional 1st 2nd 3rd
Straight 1st 2nd 3rd

Jr. Girls

Buckskin 1st 2nd 3rd
Cloth 1st 2nd 3rd
Jingle 1st 2nd 3rd
Fancy 1st 2nd 3rd

Monday

Mens

Fancy 1st 2nd 3rd
Grass 1st 2nd 3rd
Traditional 1st 2nd 3rd
Straight 1st 2nd 3rd

Womens

Buckskin 1st 2nd 3rd
Cloth 1st 2nd 3rd
Jingle 1st 2nd 3rd
Fancy 1st 2nd 3rd

Saturday, May 24

In honor of Darlene Goodblanket, ***Teen girls 13-17 yeras old, Jingle dress special contest.***

Feeding by family of Darlene Goodblanket and the late Cheyenne Chief Jerome Howlingwater.

In memory of Paul H. Rhoads, ***$750 winner take all men's Grass dance contest ages 18 and up***. Sponsored by sons and family.

Sunday, May 25

In honor of Edward Whiteskunk Sr. and Jr. a ***5K Run/8 a.m.***

In honor of Audrina Trout. ***Tiny, Tots Contest 6 and under*** (Buckskin and Cloth Only) Prize money and trophies 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

In honor of Audrina Trout and Neosha Bullcoming, ***Feeding hotdogs/hamburgdre at 4 p.m., for all the kids.***

In honor of Sarah Orange ***$300 Winner Take all Jingle dress contest.*** Sponsored by Veronica Candy and Laura Candy-Fire.

Monday, May 26

Afternoon feeding, special giveaway, Nadine Orange family. ***Mens Traditional contest $500 winner take all.***

In honor of John and Minnie Whiteman Miles, ***Fancy/War Dance Special Contest.***

1st $4,000
2nd $2,000
3rd $1,000

Must make all three (3) Grand Entries, No Exceptions.

For more information contact John Standingwater (580) 303-8579. Sponsored by John and Stephanie Standingwater.

Clara Coyote Family (Flag), Feeding and Giveaway

For more information contact Cheryl Carter (580) 275-8387, Rosemary Armendariz (580) 339-0844, or Joyce Bullcoming (405) 740-1038.

Red Moon Powwow Sr. Princess

The 2014 Red Moon Powwow Senior Princess, Darlene Lavonne Goodblanket.

Hello, My name is Darlene Lavonne Goodblanket, my Cheyenne name is Méstaa'□héhe which means "Owl Woman". I am 15 years old and from Clinton, Okla. I am an enrolled tribal member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes of Oklahoma. I am Cheyenne, Northern Arapaho, and Colville. My parents are Danielle and Billy Cling of Clinton.

My father is Larry Brown of Ethete, Wyo. My grandparents are the late Irvin "Toby" and Dorothy (Howlingwater) Goodblanket. On my step-father's side my Nalis are Bill and May Cling of Shonto, Ariz. My great grandparents are the late Horace and Emma (Standing Elk) Howlingwater of the Redmoon Community and the late Ethel Crane Stoneroad and the late Tennyson and Ruth Goodblanket.

I am currently a sophomore at Clinton High School. My activities throughout my school years have been cheerleading, basketball, volleyball and soccer. Next school year I plan on playing basketball for Clinton. I am also a former Jr. Miss Oklahoma Indian Nations Princess.

I have been dancing since I could walk in the Jingle dress category. Ever since my mother was given this right to wear the Jingle dress back in 1992. I also dance in my Traditional Cheyenne dresses as well. I choose to dance for my family because I know that I make them proud of me for all that I do. I also dance for those who can't and for those who are sick.

My family encourages me to get the best education that I can and they also teach me about my tribal traditions. Whether it is Cheyenne or Arapaho they make sure that I understand how important it is to be who I am and be proud that I am Cheyenne, Northern Arapaho, and Colville.

I really love my mom with all my heart. She has worked hard for me, to be where I am today. I would like to also recognize my auntie momma Lavonne "Punkin" Oldman, who I'm named after and my uncle Ben. My uncle Jason Goodblanket and aunt Tammie as well.

If it wasn't for my mother's siblings and their companions my mom would have not been able to work and make a living for me and for that I am thankful for my family. I would like to stress to each and every single person that family is the most important thing in life.

Lastly I want to thank the Redmoon Powwow Committee for selecting me to be their Sr. Princess. I am very honored to hold this title and I will represent the committee the best I can. Many, many hahos.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Vocational Rehabilitation program introduction

My name is John Soap Jr. and I am the new director of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Vocational Rehabilitation Program (CATVR). I want to thank everyone for their interest in CATVR.

The CATVR program is designed to help Native American people with disabilities to prepare for employment, obtain employment, and retain employment that is accommodating to their functional limitations and physical capabilities. All services will be geared toward this goal.

If you are determined eligible for VR services you will meet with your VR counselor to develop an Individualized Plan of Employment (IPE) summarizing your needs to determine and implement VR services that will be necessary for you to become successfully employed in a job that matches your capabilities and interest. Besides being an enrolled member and living in the 11 county services area there are criterias that an individual must meet to be eligible for VR services with the CATVR.

A physical or mental impairment which is a substantial impediment to employment, needs vocational rehabilitation services to prepare for, secure, retain, or regain employment and can benefit from vocational rehabilitation services (this is presumed).

The CATVR progrm is also currently gathering information on young American Indian adults in our service area who may seek our services in the future. We have sent surveys to all the high schools (11 county service area) gathering data on Native American students that have disabilities and are under Individual Education Plans (IEP). In VR we call this the Transitions Program because we want to help prepare young adults with disabilities to transition into the workforce after they graduate from high school.

I have just completed my first month here as the director of the VR program and it has been a change and adjustment period for me and the staff. We have edited and changed many of our forms and we have a new logo that was designed by Everett Moore to add to our brochures, business cards and literature. So the change of a new director naturally brings a change to the CATVR's process of VR services, but our counselors and staff are adjusting well.

My background in becoming an advocate for people with disabilities was influenced by my son Jordan who was born in 1992 with Down syndrome, but also because I was diagnosed with Rheumatoid Arthritis in 1999 and I was a Ceramic Tile/Marble setter. I stayed in the construction business for a while but developed functional limitations and eventually my physical capabilities deteriorated to where it was very painful to keep laying tile, so I went to college. Not long after I started college I learned out about vocational rehabilitation, so I applied and was determined eligible.

The Iowa tribe's VR program helped through college (along with PELL, Tribal Higher Ed, and a scholarship) while I attained my bachelor's degree from East Central University in Rehabilitation Counseling.

After I graduated in December 2009 I got my first job with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Department of Education as an Adult Education Counselor and had a short tenure at that post and made a lateral advancement to being the Job Placement Specialist for the CATVR/Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (OKDRS) from June 2010-March 2011.

I was advocating for an OKDRS consumer as a job placement specialist when a position for a VR counselor opened up at the Delaware Nation VR Program Office in Oklahoma City. I applied for the job myself and was hired in March 2011.

When I was with the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes I was influenced by former CATVR counselor, Charles Sleeper, to apply for the Master's Rehabilitation Counseling Program at Langston University in Oklahoma City and not long after I started working with the Delaware Nation I was accepted to Langston with a full scholarship from the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) under a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The past three years I have been going to school learning to be a rehabilitation counselor and working as a rehabilitation counselor. I graduated in December 2013 and I now have my Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. This coming July 2014 I will take the Commission on Rehabilitation Education's (CORE) exam to become a national Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC).

So this is the education and experience I bring with me to the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Vocational Rehabilitation program.

Expectantly it will transcend throughout our entire program from our staff to our policy and procedures because it is our vision to Provide vocational rehabilitation services in a culturally relevant manner to empower Native Americans with disabilities to succeed in the workforce.

Ne'a'ish for reading my story and please look at the CATVR ad in the *Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Tribune* and check us out www.c-a-tribes.org to get applications, information, and locations of our offices in El Reno, Watonga, and Clinton, Okla.

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBAL VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES

Vocational Rehabilitation

C & A Vocational Rehabilitation

Assists American Indians with disabilities in finding employment and educational opportunities.

The different types of services provided:

- Counseling and Guidance
- Assistive Devices
- Mental/Physical Restoration
- Transitional Services
- Evaluations
- Vocational Training
- Job Placement Services.

Disabilities that are served by VR and recognized by the American Disabilities Act

- Amputation
- Diabetes
- Hearing Impairments
- Learning Disabilities
- Mental Illness
- Morbid Obesity
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Seizure Disorders
- Speech Disabilities
- Spinal Cord Injuries
- Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Visual Impairments

Our vision is to:

Provide Vocational Rehabilitation services in a culturally relevant manner to empower Native Americans with disabilities to succeed in the workforce.

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible, an individual **must:**

Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.

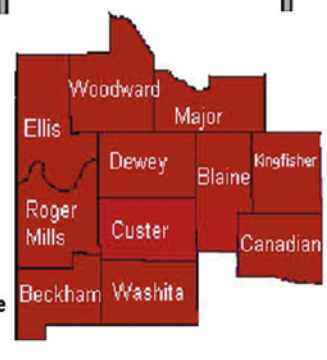
Reside within the 11 county service area of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma

Canadian **Blaine**
Kingfisher **Major**
Washita **Custer**
Dewey **Woodward**
Ellis **Roger Mills**
Beckham

Have a documented physical or mental disability or impairment that is a substantial barrier to employment.

Be able to benefit from VR services to obtain employment outcome.

Require VR services to prepare for, enter, and retain employment



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Sand Creek Massacre descendants to accompany church leaders to national historic site

(COLORADO)-On June 20, 2014, descendants of survivors of the Sand Creek Massacre will accompany 10 busloads of United Methodists to the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site outside Eads, Colorado. By calling it a "pilgrimage," the Church means that it is a journey of spiritual significance.

In 1864, United States Cavalry troops attacked peacefully encamped Indians in southeast Colorado, led by Colonel John Chivington. Chivington was an ordained Methodist minister who left active ministry to join the Army during the Civil War. John Evans, Territorial Governor of Colorado, was a prominent Methodist lay leader, who had a hand in the policies that led up to the Massacre.

Leaders of the Rocky Mountain Conference have been meeting with tribal descendants of survivors of the Massacre and National Parks Service staff to plan for this historic pilgrimage.

"We have learned from descendants that United Methodists don't know our own history," said Elaine Stanovsky, United Methodist bishop of the Rocky Mountain Conference. "They encouraged us to travel with them to the site to learn, remember and to honor those who were mercilessly slain. Hopefully this will begin a journey of respect and healing relationships with the descendant tribes."

The journey to the Massacre Site will occur as part of the Annual Conference of the Rocky Mountain Conference of The United Methodist Church, which will meet in Pueblo, Colorado. Clergy and lay representatives of 260 churches in Wyoming, Colorado and Utah will participate in the Conference. United Methodist leaders from throughout the United States will also participate in this commemoration, which will culminate in an honoring dinner.

In 2012 United Methodists from around the world meeting in Tampa, Florida, engaged in Acts of Repentance for ways the Church participated in uprooting indigenous peoples and cultures.

From United Methodist Council of Bishops statement, 2012

To our Native and indigenous brothers and sisters we say: We have destroyed your way of life, dehumanized your people and degraded your cultures, along with your dreams, your peace and your great love for the land. We acknowledge the pain of your nation peoples and our sinful behavior in these events. We know that past history has been filled with violence against you. We have confiscated your land. We have recklessly destroyed your cultures. Today we acknowledge that all this is not in the past. Assaults continue on your cultures, continuing the historic patterns of abuse, the demeaning of your spirituality, the questioning of your leadership, the neglecting of the critical issues of hunger, health, employment, and sovereignty. We must not yield to historical amnesia. We pray to God to give us a new heart and a new spirit through Jesus Christ, who breaks down the dividing walls of hostility, so that we may truly repent of our grave sins, petition for forgiveness, and work towards healing.

United Methodists in each place are encouraged to learn their local history and to repent for harm done to indigenous people.

In 1865, a United States congressional inquiry condemned the attack as a Massacre. Evans was removed as Territorial Governor and Chivington resigned from the military under pressure. Still, Church leaders of the day defended Chivington and the massacre at Sand Creek and the Church never disciplined him.

Bishop Stanovsky observed, "Today, many Native Americans know this history and wonder how Christians could be so ruthless. Most United Methodists have little if any knowledge of these events and little or no relationship with the descendants of the Native People who were attacked." Explaining the reason for the pilgrimage, she explained that, "The church has been slow to acknowledge that Methodists were largely responsible for a massacre of innocent people at Sand Creek." In June, as descendants of the perpetrators and descendants of the victims travel together to the Site of the Massacre, "we pray that a merciful God will heal the deep and continuing wounds left by this tragic history."

For more information visit www.rmcumc.org/new/component/content/article/104-2014/409-annual-conference-2014.html.

Mammogram Mobile Unit

Friday, May 23rd 2014
8:00 am to 4:00 pm

El Reno Medical Center
1801 Parkview Dr.
El Reno, Ok. 73036

Tuesday, May 27th, 2014
8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Watonga Indian Health Clinic
1305 S. Clarence Nash Blvd.
Watonga, Ok. 73772

Only Indian Health Service Eligible Patients

For more information please contact:
Watonga Indian Health Clinic
Niki Baker, RN, PHN
Phone: 580-623-4991 ext. 3012
Cell: 580-309-0055

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO YOUTH COUNCIL

Youth Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 6th, 2014

Clinton Respect Gym

5:30 p.m.

Please call for transportation.

R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program

405.422.7570, 7572, 7585

EATING well for DIABETES

Egg Nutrition 101

By Tara Conway, MS, RD/LD, CDE
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

Why eggs are good for you….

- The choline in egg is good for your memory.
- Most people can eat eggs every day without increasing risk for heart disease. One large egg contains 185 mg of cholesterol and the recommended amount of dietary cholesterol is 300 mg day.
- Great source of omega-3 fatty acids.
- Best source of protein, one large egg is 70 calories and is a high biological value protein meaning how much the protein becomes a part of your body.
- Egg can help prevent the most common nutritional deficiency in the U.S.

Food safety for eggs....

- When purchasing check for cracked eggs.
- Should not be left out of the refrigerator for more than two hours.
- Use all cooked eggs within one week of cooking.
- Store raw eggs in original container in the refrigerator, removing them from original carton exposes them to harmful refrigerants.
- Will last three to five weeks in the refrigerator.
- Whenever you cook eggs make sure the yolk and whites are firm, not runny.
- Cook eggs to 160 degrees, eggs coagulate at 145 degrees, therefore making it dangerous to eat over easy eggs. Restaurants use pasteurized eggs.
- Never eat raw eggs, even in cookie dough and cake batter.
- If a recipe like Caesar dressing calls for egg use pasteurized egg or egg substitute.

Know the signs of food borne illness

It's not always easy to tell the difference between an illness and a food-borne illness. Common signs of the flu and food poisoning are body aches, pains and fatigue.

Respiratory and nasal congestion, sore throat, stuffy or runny nose are all common signs with the cold and rare in the flu.

Gastrointestinal problems (often severe) as well as nausea and diarrhea are common in the food poisoning and rare in the flu.

Diabetic Day

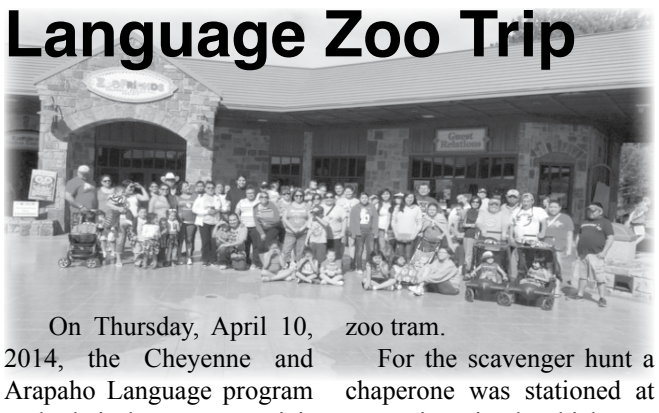
For Indian Health Service eligible patients on

Wednesday, May 7th, 2014
8:30 am to 4:00 pm
at the Watonga Indian Health Clinic

We invite you to come in for a
Foot Exam,
Retinopathy Screening,
& possible Blood Work.

Door Prizes and Snacks available

Language Zoo Trip



On Thursday, April 10, 2014, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Language program took their language participants on a trip to the Oklahoma City Zoo.

The participants were rewarded for attending the biweekly Language Community meetings held in their communities by the Language Program.

According to the ANA Grant the Language Program received, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Living Language Project, activities are an incentive for those participants attending and being involved in the Language Community meetings and classes.

On the way to the zoo the participants received language lessons on various animals. Once they arrived the participants had the option of a scavenger hunt or ride the zoo tram.

For the scavenger hunt a chaperone was stationed at a certain animal, which was taught on the bus, they had to say the animal word in Cheyenne or Arapaho.

Lunch was served in the Devon Energy Roughneck Pavilion with a nice view of the lake with plenty of conversations and laughter.

The communities that attended include Canton, Clinton, Concho, El Reno, Geary, Hammon and Seiling, Okla.

For more information on Language Community Meetings dates go to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Language Program's Website, www.calanguage.com or Facebook Cheyenne Arapaho (Language Program) or call Rebecca Risenhoover at (405) 422-7422 or Micaela Prairie Chief at (405) 422-7728.

28th annual Red Earth Festival opens with parade

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK – Registrations are now being accepted for a grand parade unlike any other in the world as the Red Earth Parade, scheduled Friday, June 6, celebrates the opening of the 28th Annual Red Earth Festival. The streets of downtown Oklahoma City will vibrate in Native American tribal spirit as hundreds of participants in authentic tribal regalia participate in what has been referred to as America's most unique parade.

Spectators are encouraged to arrive early for the 9 a.m. start as the parade route circles the Myriad Botanical Gardens in downtown Oklahoma City. The parade is expected to last approximately one hour signaling the opening of the 28th annual Red Earth Festival Art Market followed by the noon Grand Entry of dancers at Remington Park located in northeast Oklahoma City's adventure district.

In previous years the Red Earth Parade has featured more than 100 colorful entries while thousands lined the streets of downtown Oklahoma City to experience the colorful event. The parade is free to the public and free for participants.

Participants may include but are not limited to Tribal leaders and princesses, color guards, dancers, musical groups, marching bands, school groups, drum groups, mounted entries and community organizations.

Individual day tickets to attend the Red Earth Festival, scheduled June 5-7, are $10 for adults, $7.50 for seniors and youth, and free for children under five. Three day passes and group rates are available. Tickets can be purchased upon arrival at Remington Park.

For Red Earth Festival parade applications or additional information visit www.redearth.org or call (405) 427-5228.

Cheyenne Arapaho Tribes CHR Program

MOBILE VAN SCREENING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2014

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Clinton Elder Nutrition Center

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Clinton Indian Baptist Church N. 19th St

Blood Glucose & Blood Pressure checks

Freebies for Participants/Health & other Tribal Program information available

For Info: Juanita Trout, CHR or the CHR Office 405 422 7670

Cheyenne Arapaho Tribes CHR Program

MOBILE VAN SCREENING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2014

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Thomas Education Building

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Weatherford Indian Baptist Church

Blood Glucose & Blood Pressure checks

Freebies for Participants/Health & other Tribal Program information available

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OU law hosts consultations between U.S. government officials, federally recognized Tribes, and members of Civil Society

NORMAN, OK-On April 24, The University of Oklahoma College of Law hosted consultations among U.S. government officials, federally recognized tribes, and members of civil society to discuss the implementation of U.S. human rights obligations and commitments.

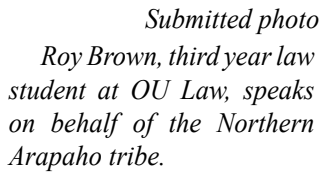
The consultations were held in anticipation of the second Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the U.S. human rights record at the United Nations in Geneva, which will occur in 2015. The consultations included twelve U.S. government officials representing a variety of federal agencies, including the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs at the Department of the Interior, as well as tribal representatives and members of civil society groups that promote the rights of indigenous peoples.

The College of Law is a longstanding leader in the field of Native American Indian Law. Over 46 percent of the students take at least one course relating to Native American Indian Law.

OU Law offers a certificate in American Indian law, a Master of Laws (LLM) in Indigenous Peoples Law, and an online Master of Legal Studies (MLS) in Indigenous Peoples Law.

The College of Law also has a cutting edge International Human Rights Clinic in which students investigate the situation of indigenous peoples throughout the world and submit reports of their findings to the United Nations UPR process.

As a leader on both the domestic and international rights of indigenous peoples, the College of Law was proud to host these important consultations to help the U.S. Government, tribal leaders, and civil society prepare for the upcoming UPR review of the United States with respect to its record on the treatment of indigenous peoples.



Submitted photo
Roy Brown, third year law student at OU Law, speaks on behalf of the Northern Arapaho tribe.

2014

GRADUATION INSERT
DEADLINE FOR GRADUATION PHOTOS - MAY 15, 2014

The annual Graduation Insert will be published June 1, 2014
All high school and college graduation photos need to be submitted no later than May 15, 2014.

NOTE: If you will be attending the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes' Graduation Banquet May 7, 2014 - Individual photos will be taken during this event.

Send photo, name, high school or college name, along with degree (if applicable) by email to rmstephens@c-a-tribes.org or rlyman@c-a-tribes.org, by mail at Tribal Tribune, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 (photos will be returned so please include return address) or drop off at the Tribal Tribune office located in Building One, bottom floor, at the Concho Tribal Complex in Concho, Okla.

For questions call (405) 422-7446 or 422-7608

Cobell settlement

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records. However, a commitment was made that the *Cobell* settlement would not suffer from the deficiencies that historically afflicted the Indian trust system – in particular that everyone who was eligible to participate in the settlement would have an opportunity to do so. Individual Indian trust records have markedly improved as a result of the *Cobell* lawsuit. However, problems remain. Delays in, or the absence of, probates have resulted in individuals who had passed away remaining on the list of living trust beneficiaries. Multiple records often exist for a single beneficiary. The Department of Interior still does not know the identity of some trust beneficiaries and current contact information was not available for tens of thousands of known beneficiaries.

We continue to work through these issues. By way of example, to date, through extensive outreach and working directly with tribal governments and GCG, we have been able to locate over half of the 65,000 individuals on the government's "whereabouts unknown" list published by the Office of the Special Trustee, to insure they receive their settlement funds. Thousands more continue to contact us each month. This has been a serious deficiency that has plagued the individual Indian trust since its inception. We are committed to make sure that it does not continue.

If you have contact information for anyone on the government's "whereabouts unknown" list, please contact the Claims Administrator at 866-591-2958.

Once again, please be assured that we are doing everything we can to make sure all class members receive their payments as soon as possible. We understand the frustrations experienced over the timing of payments. Many beneficiaries are in great need of these funds and we will continue to do everything we can to make sure the payments go out as soon as possible.

You are welcome to email us at beneficiaryline@kilpatricktownsend.com or call us at 866-383-6554.

NOTE: A list of Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members' names are posted on the tribal Facebook page and also at www.c-a-tribes.org. These names are individuals that attorney David Smith are attempting to locate. Please check the list and if your name appears, call the number listed above.

CALLING ALL
7TH 12TH GRADE C&A STUDENTS

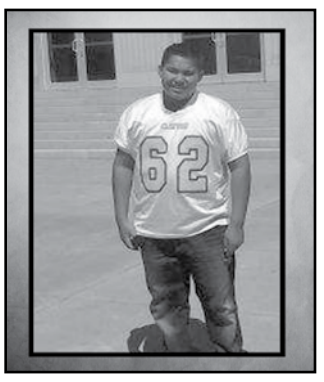
SAVE THE DATE

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
2014 Youth Empowerment Conference
June 30-July 2, 2014
SWOSU
Weatherford, OK
Applications will be available May 1, 2014

"empowerme through tradition"

Happy Birthday

Happy 9th Birthday
Baylee Corean Fasthorse
May 27
Love you so much
Baylee boo!
You are the light of my day.
You're becoming a beautiful young lady, and an awesome athlete
Happy Birthday baby girl
Love your mom, dad, sisters, bubba, grandmas, grandpas, uncles, aunties and cousins



Happy 15th Birthday
Kyle Jerome Lime
May 6
We are so proud of you. A 3.5 GPA! Playing tennis, football and participating in the TYP with your buddies. We could not ask for more. You are so kind, generous and sensitive to everyones needs. Keep up the good work! Love from mom, dad, your brothers and sisters, also Jasmine, B-G and Thunder. Oh yes and love from your two favorite nieces Mia and Selene!!

Happy Sweet 16 to my
Cinco de Mayo baby!!
We love you lots
Miss Darlene
From momma, Billy, Kevin, Sophie, Joey, uncle Jason, aunt Tammie, momma Punkin, and uncle Ben

Happy 57th Birthday
Bobby Joe Lamebull,
born May 14, 1957.
God bless your health and life. You're a great brother, with a kind heart who has a special gift for making people laugh and feel good.
Your big brother, Bill

Happy 6th Birthday
Bindi Yellow Eagle
Love mom, dad, brothers, Alex and Jonathyn, grandma, grandpa and the rest of the family

Happy 8th Birthday
Alex Yellow Eagle
Love mom, dad, sister, Bindi, Bubz, Jonathyn, grandma, grandpa and the rest of the family

Happy 7th Birthday
Torence "Tori" Fasthorse
May 31
You're our little crazy baby girl, you always seem to make us smile or even laugh. Guess you can say you have your dad's since of humor. Love you Tori, hope you have a blessed day.
Love your, mom and dad, sisters and bubba, grandmas, grandpas, uncles and aunties and cousins

Wishing our sister Barabar Ann a Happy 50th Birthday! We love you and wish you many many more!

Happy 23rd Birthday
Kial E. Terrell
May 6
Love, mom, Frank, Ryan, Zachary, Vanessa, Adham, Cadience and Jasmine.
We love you baby!

Michael Lindberg Gray
May 13
I put you in Head Start when you were 3 and 4 years old. You will always be our baby boy and super hero. I know you still have your G.I. Joe men form Head Start. Your sisters would hide your men from you and you would hunt and hunt for them until you found them. We thought you lost something important. One time you came home in second grade and said, "You are a day late and a dollar short," that became your saying.
You were like a tiny little man. You would play with tiny bugs, catch flies with your hands and then let them fly away. You also liked to catch horny toads, baby snakes and lizards. They would become your pets until they escaped.
You are truly a blessing. We love you and want to wish you a Happy Birthday and we hope God blesses you and your little family a long and healthy life. Love your family, grandma Beulah, mom Carmen, Cecil, Hauli, baby Glory, Charles, Isha, Lacey, baby Breanna, Emily and C.J.

Introducing Serena Josephine Ann Morton to the world. She was born April 11, 2014 at 2:29 p.m., weighing 7lbs, 4oz and 19 inches long. Proud parents are Daisy Jo Whitebuffalo and Brandon Levi Morton of El Reno, Okla. Congratulations from your big brother Gary Jr., Sis-N-Law Jennie, niece Mae and nephew Christopher.

Congratulations
Bruce (Cold) Fire
on 35 years of Sobriety!!!
March 24
May you celebrate with many many more years!

NOTE: In the April 15 edition we mistakenly posted Bruce Dyer's name with this photo. We would like to extend our apologies to the Dyer family for this error.

Thank You!

We just wanted to say Thank You to everyone who contributed money and clothing in our time of need. Our lives have been turned upside down, but we will soon be back on track and looking forward to returning to our home in the future. The Lord has surely blessed us. Thank you to everyone for the hugs and comforting words that made it better to cope with this tragedy.

I want to say a really big Thank You to my finance family, especially Chiara RomanNose and Kay Mackety. Thank you to all the employees who work for the Crisis Program and thank you to Gov. Eddie Hamilton, Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey and Debra Endicott.

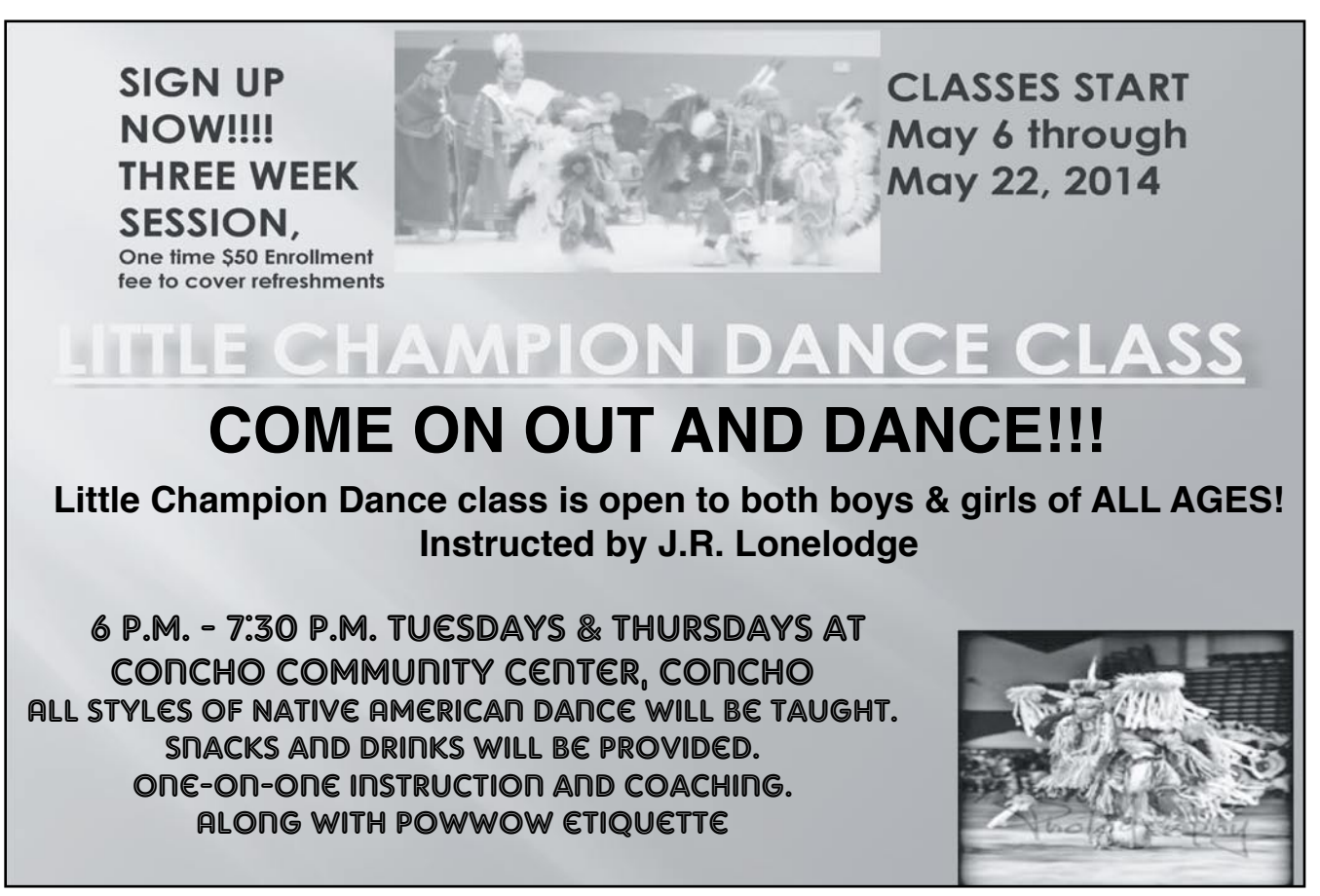
We also want to thank Margaret Sutton and Rory Jenkins for getting up in the middle of the night to bring us clothes. Also thank you to our son, Ryan, just for being there.

Love you all very much!

Calendar Boys

The photo above of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Water Treatment Plant operators and Community Development personnel was published in the Indian Health Service, Office of Environmental Health and Engineering 2014 Calendar. They are featured in the month of August.

Pictured above L-R: Vincent Scott, Kevin Eason, Jeff Spottedbird, Loren Aldrich and Melvin Roman Nose.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Fifth Legislature

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Eugene Mosqueda, A1
Christine Morton, A2
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Winslow Sankey,A4

PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 10am
Large Conference Room
Concho, Oklahoma

The following Act will be considered

- A Legislative Hearing on the Tax Commission

Fifth Legislature

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PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, May 1, 2014 at 10am
Large Conference Room
Concho, Oklahoma

The following Acts will be considered

- A Resolution Authorizing Application for the Tribal American Red Cross Shelter Grant Program
- A Resolution Authorizing Application for the Intertribal Herd Development Grant 2014
- A Resolution Authorizing Application for the Fire Prevention and Safety Grant
- An Act Establishing Rates for Water Consumption at Concho Reserve
- An Act amending the Cheyenne and Arapaho Sex Offender Registration Act, 4L-RS-2012-06-005
- Minimum Wage Law
- Amend the Constitution
- Amend Tax Code
- An Act Establishing the Department of Housing
- An Act Establishing the Emergency Management Department
- Amend Law and Order Code to add a chapter on Procurement Law
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- Budget Amendments

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PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 10am
Large Conference Room
Concho, Oklahoma

The following Acts will be considered

- A Resolution Authorizing Application for the Tribal American Red Cross Shelter Grant Program
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CLASSIFIED SECTION

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver's license and a copy of CDIB to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email whaag@c-a-tribes.org.

Lead Receptionist
Personnel Department, Administration Building
Closing: Until filled

Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED certified. Knowledge of general office practices and procedures. Skills in working with the public and tribal members. Operate a telephone switchboard. Dependable transportation. Able to attend out of state and in state training. Professionalism and confidentiality a must. Cheyenne and Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: $10.30 per hour.

Office Aide/File Clerk
Personnel Department, Concho
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Department of Treasury
Closing: Until filled

Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree in Finance, Accounting or Business Administration. Preferred Certified Public Accountant. Proficient knowledge and use of Sage MIP, and Abila Accounting Software. Strong relationship builder, constantly being a progress builder, with highly developed strengths in highly sensitive and political environments. Must adhere to a routine schedule when complying with procedures and protocol while possessing interpersonal skills. Thrive on creating structure while managing in a highly flexible environment. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference (with qualifications and experience) or Native American preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Warehouse Aide
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Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED required. Must pass a physical/medical examination and TB test within 30 days of hire date. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license, CDL preferred. Forklift operator's license required. Must be able to do moderate to heavy lifting.

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Closed Captioning Transcriptionist/ Video File Librarian
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College degree preferred. Minimum requirement, high school diploma or GED equivalent. Two years experience as a transcriptionist is preferred. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license. Reliable vehicle. Great attitude and work ethic. Tribal preference.

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Obituary

In Loving Memory
Narcissa Emma Hoof
Aug. 17, 1987-
April 20, 2014

Narcissa Emma Hoof was born August 17, 1987 in Oklahoma City, Okla. to Kevin and Myra (White Buffalo) White. She departed this life on Sunday, April 20, 2014 in Tulsa, Okla. at the age of 26 years, 8 months and 3 days.

Narcissa was preceded in death by her mother, Myra White Buffalo, a daughter, Akasumku Faith Tecumseh, and grandparents John and Phoebe White Buffalo.

She is survived by a daughter, Alize Tecumseh, and a son, Jabaica Tecumseh, both of Morris, Okla., one sister, Trish Yackeschi and husband Tabish of Tulsa, Okla., one brother, Willis Yackeschi of Tulsa, Okla., father Kevin Boyd White of Anadarko, Okla., step-father Charles Yellow Eyes of El Reno, Okla., grandfather Tonekei White of Anadarko, Okla., grandparents Doris and Walter Hamilton of El Reno, Okla., aunt LaFreda White Buffalo of Oklahoma City, her fiance, Corey Reese, nieces and nephews Tamara Yackeschi, Nicole Yackeschi, Quanah Little Bear Yackeschi and Troy Yackeschi, many cousins and extended family.

Narcissa enjoyed braiding hair and spending time with her family. She was lovingly referred to as "the nut" by her family and friends. She will be dearly missed.

A traditional all-night wake service held on April 24, 2014 at the Seiling-Fonda Community Center.

The funeral service was held on April 25, 2014 at the Seiling-Fonda Community Center with Charley Black Bear officiating. Burial followed in Cantonment Cemetery under the direction of Haigler-Pierce Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made online at www.haiglerpierce.com.

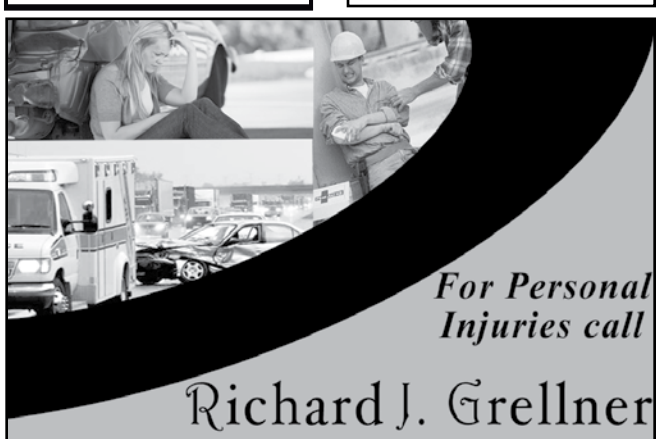
INVITATION TO BID

Project Identification: IFB# 2014-02.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma are currently accepting sealed bids for the purchase of five (5) new eight passenger buses with wheelchair lift/ secured devices with occupants located at rear of vehicle. Bids will be received at the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Procurement, Grants, and Contracts Office, P.O. Box 38 Concho, OK 73022 on or before May 15, 2014 until 2:00 p.m.

Bids will then be publicly opened and read on May 15, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. Invitation for Bids may be obtained from Jason LaPierre, Procurement Specialists, with the Procurement, Grants, and Contracts office at (405) 422-7545 or jlapierre@c-a-tribes.org.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes procurement office reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive all formalities.



Friendly Reminder

All Rental Applications MUST be submitted through Culture and Heritage Program, two weeks prior to event. The following documents must be submitted with application, before the date you requested can be confirmed on the events calendar. Completed application, (date of event, time of event, contact number), CDIB, flyer, money order (must be filled out to Culture and Heritage Program).

All applications must be turned into Elsie Sage, events coordinator for the Culture and Heritage Program. All wakes and funerals will be priority. You will have to reschedule your event, if these should occur.

There are different fees for all community buildings and NAC buildings. Concho $100, Concho NAC $50., Canton $100, Watonga $75, Geary $50, Hammon $50, and Seiling $50.

If the event is less than five hours, fee will be $25. All tribal program events, tribal members' funerals, and wakes, fee will be waived.

For questions or concerns, feel free to contact Max Bear (405) 422-7714.

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4	5 NUTRITION ED. DEMO ORANGE FIZZ FLOAT	6 CLINTON #1 TAILGATE NO DIET DAY!	7 SEILING TAILGATE	8 HAMMON TAILGATE	9	10
11 MOTHERS DAY	12 BIKE TO WORK WEEK	13 CLINTON #2 TAILGATE	14	15 ELK CITY TAILGATE	16	17
18	19	20	21 NUTRITION ED. DEMO BBQ GLAZED MEATBALLS	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 NATIONAL SR. HEALTH & FITNESS DAY	29 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY	30 CLOSED FOR INVENTORY	31

CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO FOOD DISTRIBUTION
GREEN HOUSE PROJECT SCHEDULE

Daryn West- Green House Project Coordinator
Ezra Lehi- Green House Assistant
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1. Watonga 8a-5p	2. Watonga 8a-5p	3.
4.	5. Watonga 8a-5p	6. Clinton Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	7. Canton Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	8. Concho Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	9. Watonga 8a-5p	10.
11.	12. Watonga 8a-5p	13. Clinton Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	14. Canton Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	15. Concho Headstart Garden Ed. For HS students 10a-11a	16. Watonga 8a-5p	17.
18.	19. Watonga 8a-5p	20. Clinton Community Garden Ed. Clinton Community Hall 11 to 1	21. Watonga Community Garden Ed. Watonga multi-purpose Center 11 to 1	22. Concho Community Garden Ed. Concho 11 to 1	23. Watonga 8a-5p	24.
25.	26. CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	27. Canton Community Garden Ed. 11 to 1	28. Watonga 8a-5p	29. Closed for Inventory	30. Closed for Inventory	

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED APR 22 2014 IN THE TRIAL COURT
IN THE TRIAL COURT FOR THE CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY
JUVENILE DIVISION
P.O. BOX 102, 700 BLACK KETTLE BLVD.
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes In the Interest of:
S.R.H. DOB: 02-10-2011
P.B.H. DOB: 02-10-2011
Case No. JFJ-2011-0013
Alleged Neglected or Dependent Children.
And Concerning:
Brandon C. Harrison, Respondent Father.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: Brandon Cody Harrison

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Motion has been filed in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Trial Court, Juvenile Division, alleging that the above named minor children are neglected or dependent children and abandoned by their legal father, Brandon Cody Harrison, and that said father has failed to correct the conditions of neglect or dependency, and requesting the Court to terminate the parent-child legal relationships between said children and their legal father, Brandon Cody Harrison, all as more fully set out in the attached Motion.

YOU ARE THEREFORE ORDERED TO APPEAR at the Courtroom of the Tribal District Court, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 17th day of June, 2014, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m., and to remain and answer the allegations contained in the Motion and state whether you admit or deny the allegations of the Motion.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Court will hear evidence in support of and in opposition to the granting of the Motion at the time and place above shown. You have the right to be present, to be represented by counsel, and an opportunity to be heard at said time and place, including the right to deny the allegations contained in the Motion and the right to object to the granting of the Motion and to show why said minor children should not be determined to be abandoned by you and why your parental rights to said children should not be terminated. Your failure to appear at said hearing shall constitute a denial of your interest in the children, which denial may result, without further notice of this proceeding or any subsequent proceedings, in an order of the Court terminating your parental rights to said children in accordance with law.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2014.

Lisa B. Ouboby Herbert
Judge of the Tribal Court

Albert Ghazal, Attorney General
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
P.O. Box 32
Concho, Oklahoma 73022
(405) 422-7855 or 425-9242

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED APR 14 2014 IN THE TRIAL COURT
IN THE TRIAL COURT CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES P.O. BOX 102 CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022 DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

TRACI KELLSTADT, Petitioner
vs.
BRIAN KELLSTADT, Respondent
Case No: JFD-2014-0007

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: **BRIAN KELLSTADT, 301 E. STEELE, ENID, OK 73701**

You are hereby notified that SUNSHINE ECKIWAUDAH has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **23RD** day of **JULY**, 20**14** at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 14TH day of APRIL, 2014.

Plaintiff,
Traci Kellstadt
610 W. Beck Apt. #30
Fairview, OK 73737

Ricque Richardson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

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MARNITA RAMOS, Petitioner
vs.
JUAN PEREZ RAMOS, Respondent
Case No: JFD-2014-0015

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: **JUAN PEREZ RAMOS**

You are hereby notified that MARNITA RAMOS has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **6TH** day of **AUGUST**, 20**14** at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 14TH day of APRIL, 2014.

Plaintiff;
Marnita Ramos
518 W. Davis Apt. #1
Weatherford, OK 73096

Ricque Richardson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

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SUNSHINE ECKIWAUDAH, Petitioner
vs.
MORGAN ECKIWAUDAH, Respondent
Case No: JFD-2014-0016

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: **MORGAN ECKIWAUDAH**

You are hereby notified that SUNSHINE ECKIWAUDAH has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **6TH** day of **AUGUST**, 20**14** at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 14TH day of APRIL, 2014.

Plaintiff;
Sunshine Eckiwaudah
2421 Stoneglen Dr.
El Reno, OK 73036

Ricque Richardson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

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AMBER COMBS-NORTH, Petitioner
vs.
KYLE NORTH, Respondent
Case No: JFD-2013-09

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: **KYLE NORTH, 210 South 10 Street, Kingfisher, OK 73750**

You are hereby notified that BRANDON DUGGER has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **14TH** day of **MAY**, 20**14** at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 14TH day of APRIL, 2014.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

MARCH EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Dept. of Administration
Kori Stevenson, VOIP System Administrator

"Kori works for the IT department and was selected mainly because of her positive attitude and if she is asked to do something she does it with enthusiasm and we appreciate all that you do for the tribes."

Pictured l-r: Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey, Dept. of Administration Assistant Exec. Director, Teresa Dorsett, Kori Stevenson and Gov. Eddie Hamilton.

Dept. of Education
Sharon Hale, Executive Secretary

"The employee of the month for March for the Education Program goes to an individual that is very outstanding and goes beyond the call of duty. She makes sure that our building is secure and locked, but she also answers the phones and does many other things for all the programs under the department. We certainly want to recognize this individual. Her name is Sharon Hale. Please come forward and receive your certificate and four hours of administrative leave."

Pictured l-r: Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey, interim Exec. Director of Education, Gordon Yellowman, Sharon Hale and Gov. Eddie Hamilton.

Dept. of Enrollment
Marlene Reyes, Research Specialist

"The staff selected Marlene Reyes. Marlene has worked as a research specialist for the Department of Enrollment for seven years. She is a very meticulous and patient woman, so when you turn in an enrollment application she is the one who does all the research. It is a very time consuming job, one may not thinks so, but it is."

Pictured l-r: Gov. Eddie Hamilton, Exec. Director of Enrollment, Carrie Whitlow, Marlene Reyes and Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey.

Dept. of Health
Corrine Stewart, Counselor

"Corrine is an excellent counselor. In addition to her regular duties she has filled in other positions when there was an absence or the position was open. She has gone beyond her minimum job qualifications to help the program and the tribes in many ways. She sees a need and responds in a conscientious manner."

Pictured l-r: Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey, Corrine Stewart, Exec. Director of Health, Nicolas Barton and Gov. Eddie Hamilton.

Dept. of Housing
Nancy Ross, Compliance Officer

"The Department of Housing would like to recognize Nancy Ross as the employee of the month. We have several employees that play key roles within the Housing Authority. Nancy works as the compliance officer working with other program coordinators within the department ensuring that there is compliance on a wide variety of issues, not only with financial areas but also with the services we provide. She is my right hand woman, when I am not there she is the one every one else goes to."

Pictured l-r: Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey, Exec. Director of Housing, William Tallbear, Nancy Ross and Gov. Eddie Hamilton.

Dept. of Social Services
Carol Sweezy, Certification Clerk

"The Department of Social Services has chosen Carol Sweezy for the Employee of the Month. Carol is a hard worker, dedicated, professional, respectful to all clients, and a true asset to the Food Distribution Program. When the program was not fully staffed she was one of the employees to ensure that the program ran smoothly and even began training others in various job positions, as needed. We are truly blessed to have this individual employed through the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes."

Dept. of Treasury
Steven Grounds, Gaming AP Tech

"Michelle Johnson and I decided together that Steven Grounds is the Employee of the Month for our Accounts Payable Program. Steven is a real asset to the AP program, he is dependable, always on time and he never complains."

Pictured l-r: Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey, Interim Treasurer, Kay Mackety, Michelle Johnson, accepting award on behalf of Steven Grounds, and Gov. Eddie Hamilton.

Congratulations to our March Employees of the Month ...
Gov. Eddie Hamilton & Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey

Athletes Spotlight

Together Everyone Achieves More

Photo and interview by Rebecka Lyman

All Conference 6'3" Christian Wassana plays any position required of him for the El Reno Indian High School basketball team. The sophomore has big plans for playing on the basketball court for the Oklahoma Sooners some day and believes "if a person can dream it they can do it".

When did you first begin playing?

In the third grade when I went to Darlington School.

What is it about the sport that you love the best?

I have to say the game is a stress reliever and helps to clear my mind off everything.

What has been your biggest accomplishment in the sport so far?

Our team made it the sate semi-finals this year.

What is your GPA (if known)?

It is a 3.3 right now.

What is your biggest accomplishment in the classroom so far?

Keeping my grade up in geometry.

What are some of your goals, (sports, life, school)?

My main goal is to play basketball at OU.

What actions are you taking to reach these goals?

Work hard on the court and in the classroom.

What has been the most exciting game you have played in?

My most exciting game was winning the first round at the state tournament. We were down and at the end of the game Peanut hit a three point shot and we won the game.

What is the best advice you have ever been given and who gave you that advice?

My mom always tells me to have a good attitude in any thing that I do whether that be on the court or in class.

Who or what inspires you the most?

My mom, because she is always there for me, never misses a game and she is basically like my coach.

What work out routine do you have for training in your sport?

I try to get into the weight room as much as I can and work on shooting.

What are one or two things in your training, that you feel are keys to you being successful in your sport?

I try to perfect anything that I am doing, like dribbling with my left hand, my shooting abilities, just going all out.

What is your favorite meal before or after a game?

Braums, I get a number one with a small cookie and cream shake, that is what I always get,

Who has had the biggest impact on your life?

My grandma and my grandpa, Rose and Truman Wassana, they have passed on. Everything I do I do it for them. They taught me how to be respectful to others no matter how a person treats me.

What are some of your hobbies (what do you like to do when not playing sports)?

Basketball is a full time thing for me, so when I am not working on my basketball skills, I sleep, eat and go to school. I do try to go out to my dad's place out by my grandma and grandpa's house. We hang out and sometimes go hunting and fishing together.

What kinds of music do you enjoy listening to?

I like our cultural music, rap and R&B.

What is one thing about you that no one else knows?

Probably that I play the piano, I have been playing for about two years.

If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?

I would change the way our Native American people live by using less drugs and alcohol. I would like to see the kids that live on the rez get out more. It seems to me that the ones that are around here stay on the rez and never leave. I think they should get out more and try better things.

What do you someday dream of doing?

I want to play at OU.

Who is your favorite athlete of all time?

Michael Jordon

Which team is your favorite team?

Oklahoma City Thunder

What are your plans after graduating high school?

My plans are to play basketball at OU.

What would be your advice to younger kids coming up behind you?

Do what you want to do in life and don't let anyone get in the way.

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